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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM EUR/EE

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SHUM, CVIS, SREF, RO

SUBJECT: PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE INA

1. YOUR INITIATIVE TO OBTAIN LEGISLATIVE RELIEF FOR ROMANIANS WHO OBTAIN ROMANIAN EXIT PERMITS FOR U.S. BUT CANNOT PROMPTLY BE ISSUED US VISA, AS DESCRIBED IN PROPOSED SCA/VO MEMO TO SECRETARY, HAS RUN INTO CONSIDERABLE OPPOSITION WITHIN DEPARTMENT. CRITICISM BOILS DOWN TO QUESTIONING NEED FOR LEGISLATIVE SOLUTION--WHICH WOULD BENEFIT ONLY A LIMITED SEGMENT OF THOSE WITHIN THE WARSAW PACT COUNTRIES FALLING INTO SUCH A PREDICAMENT--WHEN ADMINISTRATIVE MEANS ARE AVAILABLE TO RECTIFY PROBLEM. MORE SPECIFICALLY, SOV, SCA AND EVEN D/HA SUGGEST THAT EITHER EXPANDED USE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL'S PAROLE AUTHORITY OR MORE LIBERAL INS REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES FOR PROCESSING ROMANIAN EMIGRANTS FOR TCP AND CONDITIONAL  
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ENTRY COULD GO FAR IN RELIEVING THE BURDEN ON ROMANIAN APPLICANTS WHO DO NOT QUALIFY FOR EITHER NON-QUOTA OR PREFERENCE STATUS.

2. WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING ASAP EMBASSY'S VIEWS ON WHETHER PAROLE OR LIBERALIZED INS REGULATIONS/PROCEDURES WOULD DEAL WITH MOST OF THE PROBLEMS PRESENTLY ENCOUNTERED

OR ANTICIPATED.

3. WE RECOGNIZE THAT ELIMINATION OF SLOW, CUMBERSOME TCP THROUGH CREATION OF NEW NON-QUOTA CATEGORY WOULD BE GREAT STEP FORWARD, BUT ;HERE IS RELUCTANCE WITHIN DEPARTMENT TO PROPOSE A ROMANIAN-ONLY SOLUTION IF MOST OF PROBLEM INVOLVES APPLICANT'S DIFFICULTIES AFTER RPT AFTER DEPARTURE FROM ROMANIA (I.E., IN ROME). SUGGEST YOU FOCUS IN PARTICULAR ON PROBLEMS OF APPLICANTS STILL IN ROMANIA WHO CANNOT USE TCP ROUTE IN TIMELY FASHION.

4. FYI. WE UNDERSTAND THAT INS TCP PROCEDURES FOR SOVIET APPLICANTS ALLOW FOR PROCESSING OF APPLICANTS WITHOUT ANY RELATIVES IN U.S. UNDER CURRENT DE FACTO CRITERIA ANY SOVIET IS ACCEPTED INTO TCP IF HE (A) HAS EXIT VISA FOR US;(B) CANNOT QUALIFY FOR US IMMIGRANT VISA BEFORE EXPIRATION OF SOVIET EXIT VISA; (C) HAS VOLAG SUPPORT AND (D) IS NOT INELIGIBLE UNDER CATEGORY I GROUNDS (I.E., VOLUNTARY CP MEMBER, SIGNIFICANT CRIMINAL RECORD, ETC.) WE WOULD WELCOME EMBASSY COMMENTS ON DESIRABILITY OF SIMILAR CRITERIA FOR ROMANIANS. VANCE

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